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EXPORT TO JAPAN
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Export to Japan has fallen by nearly 14% in term of value in the last financial year;

(b) if so, the causes for this decline;

(c) whether the slow-down in the Japanese economy takes primary responsibility for this decline in Indian exports;

(d) if so, the extent to which the Government have been able to anticipate this decline in exports to Japan;

(e) whether any alternative markets have been found for our exports; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a) As per the provisional DGCI&S data, India`s exports to Japan declined by 15.96% in dollar terms and by 12.27% in rupee terms during 2001-02 as compared to 2000-01.

(b) & (c) The decline in exports is mainly attributable to slow-down in Japan`s economy.

(d), (e) & (f) It is the constant endeavour of the Government to enhance exports, both by increase in exports to the existing markets and by finding new markets, through inter-alia exchange of information, exchange of delegations, participation in trade fairs/buyer-seller meets/exhibitions, etc.